# FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ENFORCEMENT BUREAU



WESTERN REGION

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Paramount Farms Lost Hills, California

#### NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION

Case Number: EB-FIELDWR-14-00013472 Document Number: W201432900009

The Los Angeles Office received information that Paramount Farms (Paramount) was operating an unlicensed station on 122.9 MHz. On April 10, 2013, an agent from this Office investigated a complaint of interference, and subsequently determined that Paramount did not hold an authorization to operate on 122.9 MHz. On January 24, 2014, Paramount responded to a Letter of Inquiry from this office stating that were operating on 122.9 MHz and have now ceased that operation. They further stated that they are operating on 130.425 MHz. This Office has determined that Paramount has no authorization to operate on 130.425 MHz.

Radio stations must be licensed by the FCC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 301. The only exception to this licensing requirement is for certain transmitters using or operating at a power level or mode of operation that complies with the standards established in Part 15 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 15.1 *et seq*.

You are hereby warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws cited above and could subject the operator to severe penalties, including, but not limited to, substantial monetary fines, *in rem* arrest action against the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions including imprisonment. (*see* 47 U.S.C. §§ 401, 501, 503 and 510).

## UNLICENSED OPERATION OF THIS RADIO STATION MUST BE DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY.

You have ten (10) days from the date of this notice to respond with any evidence that you have authority to operate granted by the FCC. Your response should be sent to the address in the letterhead and reference the listed case and document number. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3), we are informing you that the Commission's staff will use all relevant material information before it to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure

your compliance with FCC Rules. This will include any information that you disclose in your reply.

You may contact this office if you have any questions.

Charles A. Cooper District Director Los Angeles Office

### Attachments:

Excerpts from the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended Enforcement Bureau, "Inspection Fact Sheet", March 2005